



**Environmental Commission Regular Meeting
February 20, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.
City Hall Council Chambers, 301 W. 2nd Street
Austin, Texas 78701**

Agenda

COMMISSIONERS:

Andrew Creel (D-1)	Curtis Smith (D-2)	Pam Thompson (D-3)	Vacant (D-4)
Mary Ann Neely (D-5)	Katie Coyne (D-6)	Peggy Maceo (D-7)	Hank Smith (D-8) Secretary
Linda Guerrero (D-9) Chair	Wendy Gordon (D-10) Vice Chair	Brian Smith (Mayor)	

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
 - 2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**
Speakers should sign up to speak prior to the meeting being called to order; you will receive a three-minute allotment to discuss topics not posted on the agenda.
 - 3. EDUCATION**
 - a. None
 - 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION**
 - a. Approve the minutes of the regular Environmental Commission meeting of February 6, 2019
(5 minutes)
 - 5. ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER'S UPDATE ON PAST COMMISSION ACTIONS AND REPORT ON ITEMS OF INTEREST**
 - a. Update on 620 Volvo Dealership Water and Wastewater Service Extension Request #4272 and 4273 **(5 minutes)**
 - 6. STAFF BRIEFINGS***
 - a. None

7. **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**
- a. Austin Water response to climate change challenges—Daryl Slusher, Assistant Director, Austin Water Utility
(30 minutes)
8. **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION**
- a. **Name:** Forest Bluff Section 7 Preliminary Plan (C8J-2017-0240) (Extraterritorial Jurisdiction)
Applicant: Israel Ramirez, P.E. and John S. Lloyd
Location: F.M. 969, Austin, TX 78725
Staff: Pamela Abee-Taulli, Environmental Review Specialist Senior, Development Services Department
Watershed: Decker Creek Watershed, Suburban classification, Desired Development Zone
Request: Variance requests are as follows:
1. Request to vary from LDC 30-5-341 to allow cut exceeding four feet.
 2. Request to vary from LDC 30-5-342 to allow fill exceeding four feet.
- Staff Recommendation:** Staff recommends these variances, having determined the findings of fact to have been met.
(30 minutes)
9. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- a. Urban Growth Policy and Water Quality Protection Committee –Pam Thompson, Hank Smith, Linda Guerrero, and Wendy Gordon
- b. Development Committee –Pam Thompson, Hank Smith, Katie Coyne, and Wendy Gordon
- c. Air Quality Committee –Mary Ann Neely, Pam Thompson, and Wendy Gordon
- d. Urban Forestry Committee – Peggy Maceo, Pam Thompson, Linda Guerrero, Mary Ann Neely, and Wendy Gordon
- e. Drainage Infrastructure and Flood Mitigation Committee –Pam Thompson, Mary Ann Neely, Hank Smith, and Brian Smith
- i. Report on the Joint Sustainability Committee – Katie Coyne
- j. Report from Mary Ann Neely on the Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan Citizen’s Advisory Committee
- k. Report on the Joint Committee of the Environmental Commission and Parks and Recreation Board – Mary Ann Neely, Peggy Maceo, Linda Guerrero, and Pam Thompson
- l. Report on the South Central Waterfront Advisory Board – Linda Guerrero
- m. Zilker Park Working Group – Hank Smith and Mary Ann Neely
- n. Other reports from Commissioners
10. **NEW BUSINESS – Future agenda items**
- a. None
11. **ADJOURNMENT**

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